(i) on the date when Mr. T. Joseph took charge of the office;
(ii) when Mr. T. Joseph left charge of the office; and
(iii) in Medam 1109?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (i) (ii) & (iii) The * statements required by the Member are laid on the table.

Grievances of Anchal subordinates.

109. *MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received representations from some of the subordinates of the Anchal Department regarding their grievances due to the undue promotions given to one Mr. Mathai; and

(*b*) if so, what action they have taken on those representations?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) They are under the consideration of Government.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know, Sir, how long it is since the matter has been under the consideration of Government?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): For the last four months.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know, Sir, whether the member is in a position to tell the House how long it will take for Government to come to a conclusion?

PRESIDENT: I am afraid it is a hypothetical question.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): May I know whether Government have got a representation from one Mr. Gopala Pillai and whether, in his representation, it is stated that the date of first entertainment, the date of graduation and the date of confirmation on Rs. 40, in fact all the dates in connection with that gentleman, are earlier than the corresponding dates of the gentlemen who were promoted above him?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The information is not with me at present.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): May I know whether he has been transferred to Muvattupuzha after his present representation?

PRESIDENT: Individual questions ought not to be considered on the floor of the House. 'General questions' yes. 'Questions of principle and policy' yes. But individual questions ought not to be discussed on the floor of the House.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): A word of personal explanation. My idea was simply to know whether any clerk who complained was penalised by a transfer.

PRESIDENT: You ought not to have mentioned names.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): I will modify my question. May I know whether any clerk who made a representation to Government against the promotions in the Anchal Department has been transferred afterwards?

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* *Vide* Appendix VII.

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MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvella III*) May I know from the member whom we should ask for definite information in this matter?

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : On a point of order. Can that question be allowed?

PRESIDENT : It is not a supplementary question. A supplementary question, let the House clearly understand, is merely for the purpose of eliciting information on an answer given by Government. Here, in this case, an answer has been given by Government. The question whom to ask for information does not arise on the question itself. It may be put as a separate question but not as a supplementary question.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : A word of personal explanation. In view of the several answers given by the member in charge, we are compelled to ask such a question, because the answer invariably is 'I claim notice'.

PRESIDENT : I am going to say something on that myself.

Appointment of an Anchal peon as a clerk.

110. ❋**MR. K. KUNJUKISHNA PILLAI** (*Quilon I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether one Mr. Cyriac, who was an Anchal peon, has been appointed as an acting clerk in the Anchal Superintendent's Office :

(*b*) if so, whether the claims of any qualified volunteers, attached to the Anchal Superintendent's Office, were overlooked ; and

(*c*) if so, the reason therefor?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) This does not arise in view of the answer given to (*b*).

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : With regard to part (*b*) of the question, may I know, Sir, whether there were any graduates among the volunteers?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : May I know, Sir, whether the Anchal peon above mentioned has passed the Anchal Test examination?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : The only information I have is that he is an eligible clerk volunteer and that he has acted as a clerk and as an Anchal Master in various places.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : May I know, Sir, whether the peon above mentioned has passed the Anchal Test examination?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

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